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## NORI Countdown: 20 days

### **News in Brief**

#### Telephone survey records feedback

The 509th Medical Group was selected to participate in a telephone survey to get timely feedback from patients about their outpatient visit.

An authorized person will contact patients who visited the MedGp and ask questions about the appointment. The caller will ask six to eight questions and contact patients between 5 and 8 p.m. weekdays, except holidays, beginning Tuesday.

The feedback will help the 509th MedGp leaders assess the level of service provided. For more details, call Master Sgt. Steve Chabotte at 687-2123.

#### **New DRMO process set**

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office has relocated to Scott Air Force Base, Ill. DRMO representatives are scheduled to visit Whiteman bimonthly to conduct business. Generating units may call DRMO at 618-256-5089 or DSN 576-5089 to schedule property screening. Units must store their excess material until DRMO provides disposition. For more details, call 687-1009.

#### **Claims Notice**

Col. Chris Miller, 509th Bomb Wing commander, regretfully announces the death of Airman 1st Class James Hodgens, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to Airman Hodgens' estate should call 2nd Lt. Jeremy Bolin, 509th CES summary courts officer, at 687-2530.

#### **BCC** luncheon set

The base community council luncheon begins at noon Thursday at Mission's End. The menu is beef stroganoff with noodles and peas. The cost is \$8.50. Base members interested in attending must R.S.V.P. to the public affairs office by 12:30 p.m. Monday at bcc.rsvp@whiteman.af.mil or 687-6151.

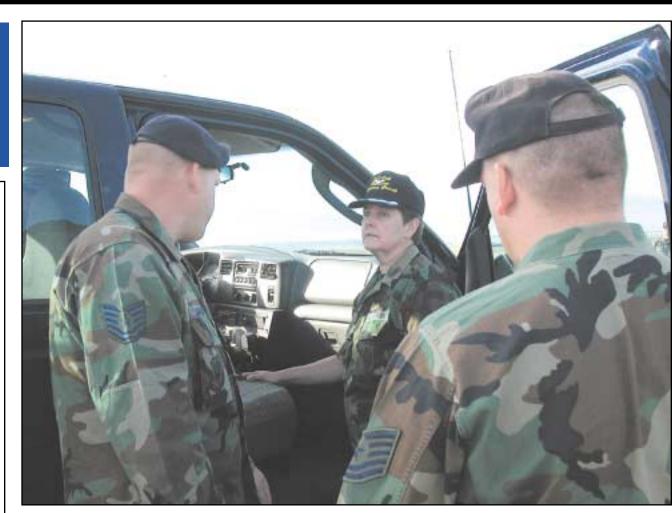
#### **CMSU** hosts military appreciation day

Central Missouri State University offers free admission to military ID cardholders and their family members at the CMSU vs. Missouri Western football game at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The first 250 military members and dependents to show their IDs at the main entrance gate will also receive a free food voucher. For more details, call the public affairs office at 687-6123.

#### Mizzou honors military members

The University of Missouri offers discount tickets to the Nov. 6 football game vs. Kansas State.

Game time has not been determined, but the \$12 ticket includes admission to a free pregame tailgate party for Whiteman members. Tickets must be prepurchased and picked up through first sergeants. Transportation will be provided.



Col. Connie Davis, 509th Mission Support Group commander, inspects a 509th Security Forces Squadron patrol vehicle during the wing's annual vehicle roll-by inspection Sept. 23. More than 360 of the wing's vehicles were inspected.

## Wing participates in roll-by

Story and photos By Airman 1st Class Erin Saxsma

509th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Whiteman was rollin' Sept. 23-24.

Cols. Matt Erichsen, 509th Bomb Wing vice commander and Connie Davis, 509th Mission Support Group commander, conducted the annual vehicle roll-by inspection.

This year more than 360 of Whiteman's vehicles were inspected. The 63.35 percent easily outdistanced the 48 percent rate in 2003.

Planning for the inspection took approximately two months and is a team effort; ranging from vehicle management, to the vehicle control officer, to the Airmen responsible for the general maintenance of vehicles.

"You could tell the troops were proud of their vehicles," Colonel Erichsen said. "From the newest pickup to the classic vintage, we had some great looking (vehicles)."

While the entire vehicle is subject to inspection, the colonels primarily focused on the vehicles' appearance inside and outside appearance.

"The roll-by let us actively confirm that we continue to exceed the standard in the quality of our vehicle maintenance," the vice commander said.

The event was broken into two six-hour sessions during the two days. On the first day, vehicles primarily used on the flight line were pre-positioned in front of Bldg. 33 and inspected there by the colonels.

The second day of the inspection began in the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment yard where snow removal vehicles were examined. Finally, the colonels were taken to the north ramp where other vehicles paraded by during a three-hour period.

The vehicle roll-by is primarily used to establish the refurbishment plan for the next fiscal year, so maximum participation is necessary, said Tech. Sgt. Chris Morris 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron. He said it's unrealis-



Col. Matt Erichsen, 509th Bomb Wing vice commander inspects a vehicle during the roll-by inspection.

tic to anticipate that every vehicle on base be available during these two days, so 60 percent is the set goal for success. In 2002, a record 77 percent of vehicles were inspect-

"The VCO's seem to be taking good care of their vehicle assets," Colonel Davis said.

Guidance for conducting the roll-by primarily comes from Air Combat Command Instruction 24-350 which states all wing vehicles will be inspected by the wing commander.

### **COMMENTARY**

## Commander's Corner

By Col. Chris Miller

509th Bomb Wing Commander

**509ERS LEADING** — The 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron is this year's Air Combat Command Maintenance Effectiveness Award winner in the large squadron category. This reflects outstanding performance by 509th Airmen. It reflects their hard work. It also means we're able to put B-2 airpower into the air where it belongs, when and where our nation needs it for training or combat. I'm proud of them and hope you are too!

MILITARY APPRECIATION — Our neighbors appreciate what we do ó and to show it, Central Missouri State University will give free admission to military members, retirees and family members (with ID cards) Saturday's game in Warrensburg, between the CMSU Mules and the Missouri Western State College Griffons. I encourage you to go and spend some time with the citizens who support our base and Air Force. Also, mark your calendars for

Nov. 6 — the University of Missouri will host a military appreciation event as they play Kansas State; discounted tickets are available from first sergeants and there will be a free tailgate party

be a free tailgate party.

CFC — The CFC campaign is under way; some units have already met their 100 percent contact goal. I appreciate the community spirit you've already shown with your donations. If you haven't made a decision or been contacted yet, I encourage you to get the information you need and make your choice.

WINTER SAFETY — It's not winter yet, but it's just around the corner. This is a good time to make sure your car is ready for cooler weather with a good heater, good tires and appropriate safety equipment. It's also a time for you and everyone in your family who drives to get mentally ready to deal with frosty windows, icy and snowy roads, and winter delays. Staying safe in the winter isn't harder it's just different. Please take it seriously!



File photo

Master Sgt. James McCoy, his wife, Dawn, and their daughter, Sarah, take a break from watching the Missouri Tigers take on the Texas A&M Aggies at last year's Mizzou Military Appreciation Day in 2003. About 880 Whiteman members attended the game.

## Changing weather means extra care on road



Photo by Airman Jason Burton

Master Sgt. Bryan Sanders, 509th Security Forces Squadron, uses a penny to check the traction of his tires. Good traction can be crucial during wet and winter driving conditions, Sergeant Sanders said.

#### By Master Sgt. Bryan Sanders

509the Security Forces Squadron Law Enforcement Superintendent

With summer ending, fall beginning and winter around the corner, we should think about adjusting our driving techniques to meet the changing road and weather conditions. This information might help you deal with the challenges of driving on wet, icy or snow-covered roads.

Wet roads — Be sure to slow your speed and leave a safe distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front of

When it starts to rain, water mixes with the dust and oil on the road to form a slick, greasy film. Fallen leaves on the road can also reduce tire traction. The wet pavement may make it harder for you to stay on the road on curves. It will also take longer to stop your vehicle.

On wet pavement, your tires may ride on the water rather than the pavement. This is known as "hydroplaning," meaning loss of traction and control. Hydroplaning can happen at speeds over 35 mph. In a severe rainstorm, the tires can lose all contact with the road at 55 mph.

If you think your tires are hydroplaning, take your foot off the accelerator and slow down. Don't hit the brakes — this may cause you to skid. To avoid hydroplaning:

- ✔ Have good tires with deep treads on your vehicle.
  - ✓ Keep tires properly inflated.
- ✓ Slow down during rainstorms or when the pavement is wet.
- ✓ It is very dangerous to drive in fog. If you must drive in fog, you should:
  - ✔ Reduce your speed.
  - ✓ Be alert and ready to stop.
- ✓ Keep your headlights on low beam. In fog, you will see less if your lights are on high beam.

If the fog becomes so thick you can't see, pull completely off the road and stop. Leave your lights and emergency flashers ON.

**Tires** — Your vehicle should have tires that are rated for driving in snow. If they are not, you should have chains ready to put on your tires during bad weather. Even if you have snow tires or chains, you cannot drive safely on snow or ice at normal speeds. If there is snow or ice on the road slow down.

Winter driving —Before leaving home, clean all snow and ice off your windows, headlights and taillights. Be sure your windshield wipers and defroster are working. No matter how far you are going to drive, never start driving until all snow and ice are removed and windows are

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Photo by Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

Hannah Simmons, clothing sales supervisor, folds new battle-dress uniforms. BDU prices will be decreasing beginning today.

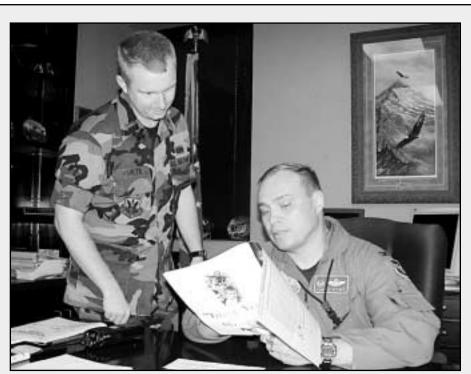


Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

#### **Donate today**

Col. Curtiss Petrek, 509th Operations Group commander, asks 2nd Lt. Tom Hamlyn a questions about donating to the Combined Federal Campaign. Lieutenant Hamlyn is the 509th OG CFC representative. The annual CFC campaign began Sept. 22 and ends Oct. 19. So far, team Whiteman member have contributed \$21,844 toward the wing's goal of \$140,000.

### NORI tips: Use proper cover

What can I do to help the wing prepare for the Oct. 20-29 Nuclear Operational Readiness Inspection?

First, display a professional and positive attitude in your unit when you perform your procedures and taskings.

Second, ensure your unit is prepared to accomplish the mission as required by reviewing wing and unit plans.

Finally, read previous inspector general and local exercise reports found on the XP intranet Web page at https://intranet.white-man.af.mil/509BW/BW/XP/home-page.html, to minimize any repeat problem areas. Additionally, check your squadron for compliance with a new Special Interest



Item 04-4, Air Force Chief of Staff Fitness Program.

Remember, you are a critical link and a part of the world's finest Air Force. Show the inspectors how to make the mission a complete success — the Whiteman way.

This week's tip: People who participate in exercises or contingencies must wear the battle dress uniform cap, not baseball caps, colored or subdued caps.

(Courtesy of the 509th Bomb Wing Plans Office)

## Uniform prices dropping

By Capt. Diane Weed

Army & Air Force Exchange Public Affairs

Prices for most issue uniform items sold at Army & Air Force Exchange Service military clothing sales stores will decrease on today.

The annual price changes at the Defense Supply Center in Philadelphia will go into effect and the overall prices for issue items will drop by a little more than one percent.

"This year, the temperate battle dress uniform coats and the Air Force men's and women's lightweight jackets are the only items with any significant price increase — and that increase is less than \$4 per item," said Hazel Green, DSCP planner at headquarters AAFES.

AAFES never makes a profit on DSCP items since they're always sold at cost. Price decreases, or conversely increases, are determined by the DSCP and passed along to the customers via

AAFES stores

The DSCP is the sole military supply source for issue merchandise. DSCP items sold by AAFES made up 57 percent of the total MCSS' sales in fiscal 2003.

In addition to DSCP items, AAFES offers higher-quality optional items in order to give customers more choices.

On the other end of the spectrum, AAFES offers Exchange Select insignia products that sell for 30 to 60 percent less than name-brand equivalents.

"If you can't find what you are looking for, let your MCSS manager know so they can get the item you need. Our MCSS managers have a great network and cross-level merchandise everyday to take care of their customers' needs," said David Lumbley, Divisional Merchandise Manager for MCSS.

The MCSS concept was established by a Congressional charter for the Air Force in the mid 70s and for the Army in 1981

#### Some Airmen can carry over 'use or lose'

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) —Active-duty Airmen who were unable to take leave because they supported contingency operations may be allowed to accumulate more than the normal 60 days after the fiscal year ends

Those affected can retain up to 120 days of leave until Sept. 30, 2005, said Air Force Personnel Center officials here.

"This program is meant to enable people to take leave they've earned," said Senior Master Sgt. Don Taylor, the center's customer support operations superintendent.

The carry-over leave must be taken in 2005 so Airmen do not lose leave next year, he said.

For more information, call the military personnel flight at 687-6426.



Photo by Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

#### Pay 'enhancements'

Airman 1st Class Candace Shannon and Airman Courtney Light, 509th Comptroller Squadron, scroll through the MyPay Web site. The online pay account information system of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, myPay, offers new enhancements and upgrades for all users. All myPay users can assign a restricted access personal identification number to a designated individual to view pay information; however, the designee can't make any changes to the allotments or account information. Users also can add a personal e-mail address to be notified of pay changes and other items of interest. Also, active-duty Airmen can view 12 months of leave and earning statements, and start, stop and change financial allotments and savings bonds. Currently, myPay has nearly 3 million users with customized PINs and serves all service members, military retirees and annuitants, Department of Defense civilian employees and Department of Energy employees.



Photo by Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

#### 'Closing' time

First Lt. Mark Koeppen and Sabrina Parsons, 509th Bomb Wing financial analysis office, discuss the wing's annual fiscal year close-out. The end of the fiscal year means the financial analysis office must zero-out all financial accounts for the base. This annual close-out process requires all funding issued in fiscal 2004 to be spent or returned to Air Combat Command. As of Sept. 1, all available funds were consolidated by the 509th Comptroller Squadron in order to purchase mission essential requirements, which were identified by the wing resource advisors. These requirements were prioritized and approved by the Financial Management Board, chaired by Col. Chris Miller, 509th Bomb Wing commander. This procedure provides squadrons obtain items such as computers or other high dollar upgrades they wouldn't be able to purchase within their group or squadron budget.

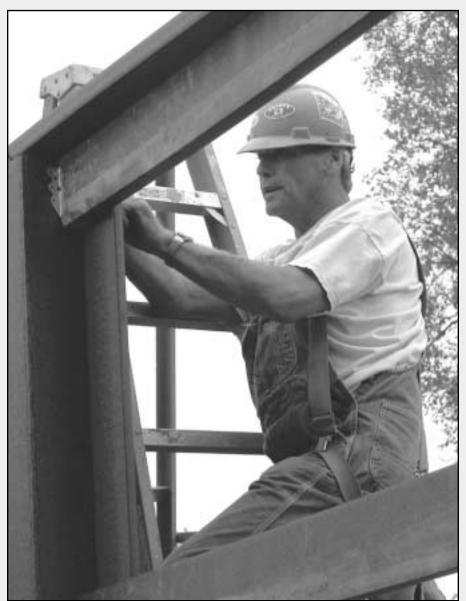


Photo by Airman Jason Burton

#### **Fenceworks**

Roger Sizemore, a worker for Larry Brandt Construction, builds a new fence at the water treatment facility. The new fence is made from a plastic composite material that is weather resistant and will help prolong its life. The previous gate was replaced with a stronger one, and the old brick columns where replaced to support the heavier gate.



Photo by 2nd Lt. Mary Olsen

#### **Five Point visit**

Connie Koch, 509th Services Squadron and community center manager, Members of the Five Points of Life cross country bicycle team pose for a photo. The team visited Whiteman Sept. 23. The Five Points of Life is a non-profit organization, created in 1997 by Life South, dedicated to raising awareness about the five ways people can share life with others through donation. The Five Points represent the whole blood, aspheresis, bone marrow, umbilical cord blood and organ/tissue donations. The Five Points of Life ride takes place every other year and 18person team spends seven weeks traveling across the country. The team was on its way to Sedalia and stopped at Whiteman to speak to base members about the importance of blood and organ donation.

## 107 people sew next stripe on

The 509th Bomb Wing will recognize 107 people during the monthly promotion ceremony beginning at 8 a.m. Monday at Mission's End. They are:

Airmen Peggy Durfee, 509th Medical
Operations Squadron; Michael Farrar,
509th Security Forces Squadron; Michael
Flahive, 509th SFS; Lauren Frey, 509th SFS; Matthew
Gibbs, 509th Services Squadron; Beau Knearem, 509th
Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; Michael Ouellette, 509th
Logistics Readiness Squadron; Maureen Perez, 509th
SVS; Ashley Smead, 509th Maintenance Squadron; Ruth
Vaovasa, 509th LRS; Erik Wertman, 509th SFS; Kenada Williams, 509th SFS; and Scott Williams, 509th SFS.
Airman 1st Class Jonathan Berry.

509th SFS; Zachary Bolden, 509th Contracting Squadron; Amy Bowden, 509th Bomb Wing; Christopher Chafin, 509th Munitions Squadron; Kristopher Chatara, 509th LRS; Christopher Clark, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron; Patrick Collard, 509th MUNS; Joseph Cook, 509th CES; Adam Cramer, 509th AMXS; Jenna Day, 509th Communications Squadron; Melissa Ferry, 509th SFS; Denera Henderson, 509th SFS; Bianca Hernandez, 509th LRS; Justin Jackson, 509th CES; Christopher Lowe, 509th CES; Bryan Mack, 509th CES; Jessica Mattes, 509th CES; Sarah Phillips, 509th LRS; David Salley, 509th MDOS; Kati Shumaker, 509th

SFS; Jenna Speight, 509th SFS; William Tolin, 509th

AMXS; and Scott White, 394th Combat Training Squadron.
Senior Airmen Ryan Bailey, 509th MXS; Jerry Carter, 509th AMXS; Brian Collier, 509th CES; Stephen

Davis, 509th SVS; Steven Espitia, 509th MXS; Carly Evans, 509th Mission Support Squadron; Michael Forte, 509th MUNS; Benjamin Fry, 509th SFS; Zachariah Giguere, 509th CES; Leif Gisselberg, 509th SFS; Nathan Graczyk, 509th AMXS; Christopher Holt, 509th MUNS; Adam Janquart, 509th MXS; Brian Jones, 509th AMXS; Louis Kane, 509th MUNS; Nicholas Kline, 509th AMXS; William Knight, 509th CES; Nathalie Kolecki, 509th Medical Support Squadron; Jon Langdon, 509th CS; Christopher Leach, 509th LRS; Samuel Martinez, 509th SFS; Keleisha Myers, 509th CES; Mickey Parker, 509th AMXS: Aaron Pate, 509th SFS; Christopher Pope, 509th CS; Stephanie Powell, 509th SFS; Ricky Renfroe, 509th SFS; Ryan Roberson, 509th Operations Support Squadron; Derrick Rose, 509th AMXS; Timothy Schultz, 509th SFS; Derek Scranton, 509th MXS; Sean Secich, 509th BW; Keyah Tate, 509th LRS; Jenna Tatum, 509th MUNS; Charity Thompson, 509th CS; Kimberley White, 509th MUNS; Paul Wilewski, 509th

son, 509th AMXS; Seth Wilson, 509th CS; and Eric Ybarra, 509th MUNS. Staff Sgts. Jeffery Bailey, 509th MXS; Clinton Berry, 509th MXS; Phillip Blascoe, 509th SFS; Michael Bradshaw, 509th SFS; Carl Brocchi, 509th OSS; Peter Engberg 500th AMXS; Vincent

OSS; Peter Engebretsen, 509th AMXS; Vincent Hess, 509th CS; Chad Imes, 509th AMXS; Raymond Kennard, 509th LRS; Corin Krieger, 509th SFS; Maria Lino, 509th SFS: Joseph Marsala, 393rd

CONS; Bryant Williams, 509th BW; Christopher Wil-

Lino, 509th SFS; Joseph Marsala, 393rd Bomb Squadron; Jerry Moffitt, 509th MXS; Christopher Wagoner, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron; Amon Yargee, 509th MXS; and Manuel Ybarra, 509th CES.

Tech Sgts. Shawn Allen, 509th LRS;

Richard Blair, 509th SFS; Jeffrey Brooks, 509th MXS; Joseph Clark, 509th AMXS; Phillip Fleming, 509th BW; Timonthy Houey, 509th MDOS; Gary Laboube, 509th LRS; John Rodgers, 509th CES; and Donald Thorndyke, 509th CONS.

Master Sgts. Scott Divish, 509th Maintenance Group; Steven Eggers, 509th LRS; and Gordon Severs, 509th

Senior Master Sgt. Robert Striegel,

## 107 people sew ALS Class 04-G graduates

Airman Leadership School Class 04-G graduated 23 senior airmen at Mission's End Sept. 24.

The award winners were: **Andrew Buchi**, 509th Civil

Engineer Squadron, earned the John L. Levitow
Award.

Alexandra Esselman, 509th Security Forces Squadron, earned the Leadership Award.

Robert Hamilton, 509th LRS, was the Distinguished Graduate.

Christina Vrentas, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, earned the Academic Achievement.

The other graduates were: **Ryan Baum**, 509th Munitions Squadron.

William Brennan, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

Carl Brocchi, 509th Operations

Support Squadron.

Leah Calahan, 509th Maintenance Squadron.

Natalie Canada, 509th LRS. Wesley Cantrell, 509th MXS.

**Peter Engebretsen**, 509th AMXS.

Mark Farrar, 509th MXS.

Jennifer Hargett, 509th MUNS.

Vincent Hess, 509th Communications Squadron.

Michael Hull, 509th AMXS. Richard Jones, 509th

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Maria Lino, 509th SFS.
Sandra Roberts, LRS.
Andrew Rood, 509th MXS.
Michael Sands, 509th AMXS.
Bradley Sears, 509th SFS.
Anthony Shepherd, 509th MXS.
Riley Walton, 509th MXS.



Did you know you can fill out a Department of Defense Form 2266, Hometown News Release, for a variety of accomplishments? For more details, call 1st Lt. Ed Gulick at 687-6122.

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## Whiteman Spirit Award



Tech. Sgt. Annette Keyes

509th Bomb Wing

Tech. Sgt. Annette Keyes, 509th Bomb Wing, received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Chris Miller, 509th BW commander, Monday.

Lt. Col. Cheryl Thompson, 509th BW Staff Judge Advocate, nominated Sergeant Keyes for this award for filling a void after the law office manager moved.

Since July, Sergeant Keyes has managed the 20-person legal office. During this time, she taught herself budget, civilian personnel systems, equipment management, how to do officer and enlisted performance reviews, decoration management and execution, office suspense program, and temporary duty order preparation. She also supervised 10 paralegals, one civilian and one enlisted information management specialist.

"She did this while maintaining total control of the full-time workload — she manages and works as the NCOIC of Civil Law," Colonel Thompson said. "With the increase in court martial workload, Sergeant Keyes took over as the NCOIC responsible for training the paralegals during the weekly training sessions. These weekly two-hour training sessions are critical for the upgrade of our new 3-level paralegals and for the continuing education of our more experienced paralegals."

Sergeant Keyes kept the office running smoothly even though there was no one to work at the front desk regularly.

"She was directly responsible for hiring the new front desk secretary, cutting through all the red tape with the new civilian personnel system," the JAG said. "Sergeant Keyes conducted six interviews of the most worthy candidates and made the selection. As the result of her hard work, the new secretary starts next week!"

#### Personally Speaking

**Duty title:** Law office manager **Time on station:** 8 years **Time in service:** 19 years **Hometown:** Brooksville, Fla.

Spouse: Ronnie

**Children:** Desaray, 17, and Katherine, 11

**Hobbies:** Reading and spending time with my family. **Goals:** Retire and travel all over the world.

Best thing about Whiteman: The people.

Pet Peeves: Non-productive days.

What motivates your winning spirit? God and my family.

If you could change one thing about Whiteman, what would it be? I would put in an indoor running track.

#### **Submitting a Whiteman Spirit Award**

Individuals are nominated from within their units or by customers impressed by the person making Whiteman a better place to live and work by going far beyond his or her assigned duties to "make it happen."

If you know someone who has the Whiteman Spirit, send the nomination to the 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 509, Suite 111, or e-mail whiteman.spirit@Whiteman.af.mil.

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Photo by Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

Master Sgt. Marcus Gray, 509th Mission Support Squadron talks with Master Sgt. Darlene Buss, 509th Bomb Wing and 509th MSS first sergeant, about coping with anger. Professionalism and self-control should be maintained when dealing with anger, Sergeant Buss said.

## 1st Sergeant's View

(Editor's note — The 1st Sergeant's View gives Whiteman first sergeants a chance to remind people of correct uniform wear, customs and courtesies and proper military decorum. Each week, a different first sergeant will share their view.)

#### By Master Sgt. Darlene Buss

509th Mission Support Squadron and 509th Bomb Wing First Sergeant

A few weeks ago as I left the commissary, an older man motioned for me to come over to his truck.

Thinking I could be of some assistance, I went over to his vehicle.

"What is this Air Force coming to?" the man said as I approached him.

I worried that someone from the Whiteman Family had done something to upset this man. So I asked the man, whom I discovered was a retired technical sergeant, what the problem was.

"Well, female first sergeants?" he said. "If I had a female first shirt I would have just quit!"

I thought he was joking and I chuckled and waited for the punch line. There was none

I stood there and listened to him as he angrily continued on and on how he could not believe what was going on in the Air

Force!

People get angry for many reasons, it may have nothing to do with the reason they single you out

they single you out.

Do I believe that this man thought because I was a female, I couldn't do my job? No, I think there were many underlying circumstances that this man had no control over, and when he saw me, his anger boiled over.

Anger will eat away at every corner of your life if you let it! Many significant, life-changing bad choices and possible permanent decisions are made when anger rules your judgment. When you speak in anger you loose the respect of the person you are talking to!

I believe this man and I could have sat down together and had a wonderful conversation about today's Air Force, its history, and how deeply we care about our service. I believe this man could have told me many things about the days he served and about some of the proud moments he had in his military career.

However, because of his anger, we couldn't even share a conversation and learn that we both are proud to be a part of the greatest nation and Air Force the world will ever see!

There is a time and a place for everything however professionalism must always come first!

Airmen Against Drunk Driving Call 687-RIDE or 877-518-6802

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### Fire Prevention Week Schedule of Events

**Sunday** — Grease fire demonstration takes place noon-2 p.m. at the base exchange.

**Monday** — Smokey and Sparky greet motorists 6:30-8 a.m. at the Spirit and Arnold gates.

**Tuesday** — Display 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at BX, and Sparky and Smokey visit the dorms

Wednesday — Display 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at commissary and fire extinguisher training at youth center

Thursday — Engine 7, Smokey and Sparky visit the CDC at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

**Friday** — Engine 7, Smokey and Sparky visit Whiteman Elementary School

Saturday — A parade begins at 10 a.m. and a fire muster follows in the ECP 2 parking lot. Fire safety trailer, Sparky, Smokey and fire truck display 10-2 at BX

Some events and times may change. Call 687-6080 or 687-4507 to check any date or time.

Remember:

Fire prevention is everyone's business

## Base fires up for prevention week

#### By Greg Smith

509th Civil Engineer Squadron Fire Department

The annual Fire Prevention Week begins Sunday and ends Oct. 9. This year's theme is "Test Your Smoke Alarms."

This week, take time to do some or all of these:

- ✓ Test all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- ✓ Ensure family members know two ways out of your
- ✓ Establish a meeting place outside of the home.
- ✔ Practice a home fire drill.
- ✓ Never re-enter a burning building.
- ✓ Don't leave stoves unattended while cooking.
- Don't leave burning candles unattended.

FPW is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. It's been sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association for the past 82 years. Its purpose is to raise public awareness of fire dangers and the simple prevention measures that should be practiced by everyone.

The first National Fire Prevention day proclamation was issued by President Woodrow Wilson in 1920. Since 1922, National Fire Prevention Week has been observed the week of Oct. 9.

So, why is this date chosen for FPW? Oct. 8 and 9 mark the anniversary of the great Chicago fire that destroyed almost one third of the chicago homes in 1871. The fire started on Oct. 8 at 9 p.m., it burned for 27 hours destroying an area three fourths of a mile wide and four miles long because the city's roads, sidewalks and buildings were made of wood. The fire killed more than 250 people. More than 2,000 acres burned, 18,000 buildings destroyed, and 100,000 Chicagoans lost their homes.

If you have any questions or need further guidance on home fire safety issues, call the fire prevention office at 687-6080 or 687-6083. We have numerous pamphlets and other hand outs to help make your home a fire safe environment.



### **DRIVING**, Continued from Page 2 -

#### By Master Sgt. Bryan Sanders

509the Security Forces Squadron Law Enforcement Superinten-

With summer ending, fall beginning and winter around the corner, we should think about adjusting our driving techniques to meet the changing road and weather conditions. This information might help you deal with the challenges of driving on wet, icy or snow-covered roads.

Wet roads — Be sure to slow your speed and leave a

safe distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front

of you.

When it starts to rain, water mixes with the dust and oil on the road to form a slick, greasy film. Fallen leaves on the road can also reduce tire traction. The wet pavement may make it harder for you to stay on the road on curves. It will also take longer to stop your vehicle.

On wet pavement, your tires may ride on the water rather than the pavement. This is known as "hydroplaning," meaning loss of traction and control. Hydroplaning can happen at speeds over 35 mph. In a severe rainstorm, the tires can lose all contact with the road at 55 mph.

If you think your tires are hydroplaning, take your foot off the accelerator and slow down. Don't hit the brakes this may cause you to skid. To avoid hydroplaning:

✔ Have good tires with deep treads on your vehicle.

- ✓ Keep tires properly inflated.
- ✓ Slow down during rainstorms or when the pavement
- ✓ It is very dangerous to drive in fog. If you must drive in fog, you should:
  - ✔ Reduce your speed.
  - ✓ Be alert and ready to stop.
- ✓ Keep your headlights on low beam. In fog, you will see less if your lights are on high beam.

If the fog becomes so thick you can't see, pull completely off the road and stop. Leave your lights and emergency flashers ON.

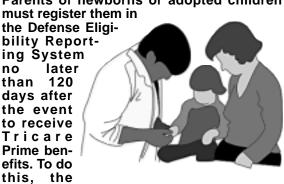
Tires — Your vehicle should have tires that are rated for driving in snow. If they are not, you should have chains ready to put on your tires during bad weather. Even if you have snow tires or chains, you cannot drive safely on snow or ice at normal speeds. If there is snow or ice on the road

Winter driving —Before leaving home, clean all snow and ice off your windows, headlights and taillights. Be sure your windshield wipers and defroster are working. No matter how far you are going to drive, never start driving until all snow and ice are removed and windows are clear. Snow and ice has accumulated near your parked car. To pull out, start driving the car out slowly. If your tires start to spin, try clearing a path by driving backwards and for-

#### Don't miss out on Tricare benefits

Parents of newborns or adopted children must register them in

the Defense Eligibility Reporting System later no than 120 days after the event to receive Tricare Prime benefits. To do



sponsor must take a copy of the child's birth certificate or adoption papers to the military personnel flight customer service section. After enrolling in DEERS, parents can get a Tricare enrollment forms at the 509th Medical Group Tricare Service Center or at http://www.triwest.com. To get one by mail, cali 888-TRIWEST (874-9378).

Senior Airman Joshua Hunt, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, uses a TK-9EE to test a reduced pressure principle device. These units keep contaminated water from entering the more



Master Sgt. Jeffery Crannick, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, fixes a shower head. The plumbing shop has a do-it-now crew that makes repairs in main facilities five days a week. From sinks, toilets and leaking pipes, the DIN crew is always busy.



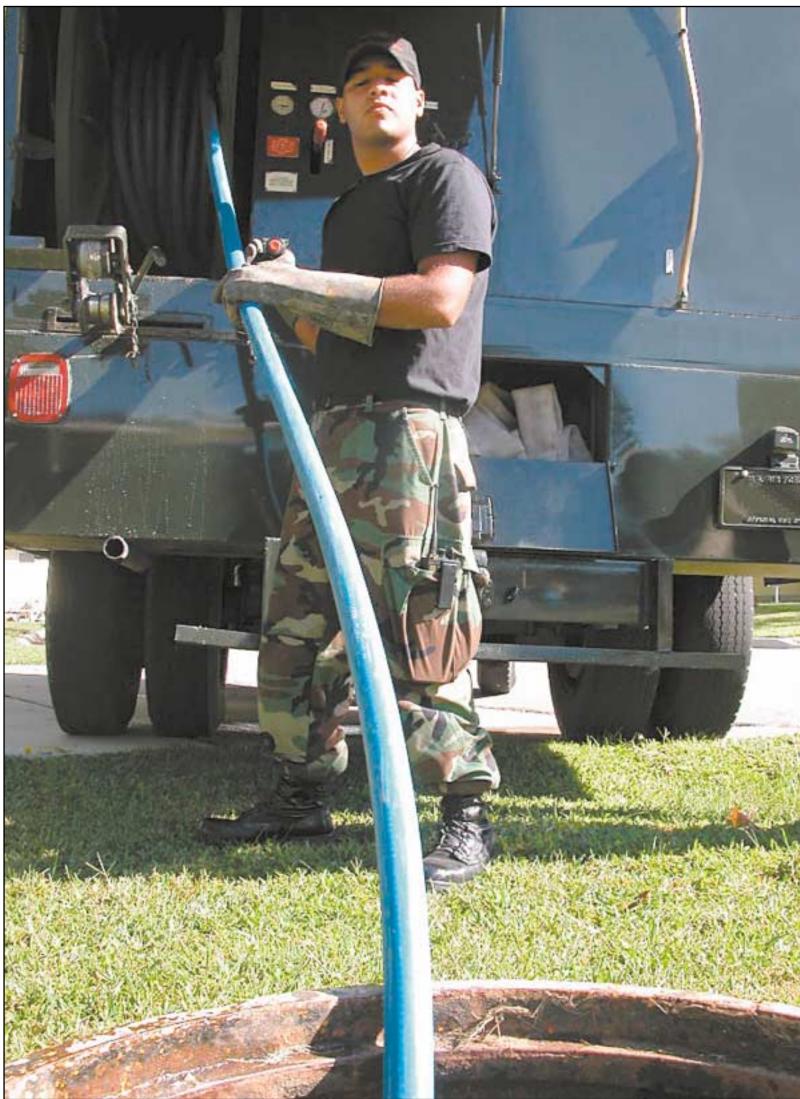
Airman Niall Campos, and Airman 1st Class Chris Lowe, 509th Civil Engineering Squadron, remove a metal form from a recently poured concrete block around a valve. These valves isolate and shut off water or gas to



Senior Airman Joshua Turner, 509th CES, searches for a gas leak with a gas detector called the "sniffer." Every year the 509th CES plumbing shop members check and walk the 172,000 linear feet of natural gas lines throughout the base.



Tech. Sgt. Jerry Alquist, 509th CES, observes a busted water pipe on the monitor while Airman 1st Class Mark Tigbad, 509th CES, controls the descent of the See Snake camera which is used to inspect water lines. The broken pipe restricted water flow and caused drainage problems for at the base car wash.



Senior Airman Pranay Singh, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron Utilities Flight, operates a sewer truck. This truck uses up to 1,500 pounds of water presser to spray water for sewer line cleaning and to remove blockages. Items that typically cause blockages are toilet paper, excessive amounts of food and grease. With the help of the sewer truck, plumbing shop members maintain 270,000 linear feet of waste water lines throughout the base.

## 509er loading up for success



#### By Melissa Klinkner

Public Affairs

Senior Airman Elise Gotschall is a star in the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, said Master Sgt. Gary Bolton, 509th AMXS first sergeant, of the recent belowthe-zone recipient.

As a weapons load team foreman in the 393rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit, Airman Gotschall earned BTZ and sewed on senior airman after just two years in the Air

"I was motivated and inspired most by the people in my squadron: supervisors, co-workers and the Airmen who came before me," Airman Gotschall said.

Master Sgt. Darren McCrory, 509th AMXS, said Airman Gotschall's determination and hard-working attitude contributed to her earning BTZ.

"She enjoys and goes after challenges with a consistently positive attitude," he said.

As part of her occupation, Airman Gotschall drives a jammer — a vehicle that loads munitions into the B-2 bomb bay. She said she's proud to have a job and position allowing her to contribute directly to Whiteman's overall mission.

"I'm just thankful to be a part of the Air Force and this base," she said. "I never thought I'd have the chance to do

The 21-year-old Airman followed in the footsteps of her - each of whom joined the military three older siblings and began her Air Force career shortly after graduating high school. She said she looked forward to new opportunities and a chance to serve her country.

Before enlisting, Airman Gotschall said she never understood the full extent and significance of patriotism and maintaining the attitude of core values daily.

'Since joining the Air Force, I'm exceedingly aware and proud of our core values and the freedoms we often

take for granted as a country," she said.

With plans to go on striving everyday to do the best she can, Airman Gotschall continues to set her goals high, and serve Whiteman and her country with enthusiasm.

"Airman Gotschall is a very positive, upbeat and accomplishing individual," said her supervisor, Senior Master Sgt. Rodney Shatto, 509th AMXS. "She encourages others and sets an example for her co-workers by exercising leadership in a very professional manner. Airman Gotschall is a prudent individual who always presents herself with impeccable appearance."

When she's not working, Airman Gotschall enjoys traveling, bike riding, going for walks, and visiting family and friends in her native Illinois. She also stays busy participating in base and community activities such as highway cleanups and Operation Warm Heart.Airman Gotschall also volunteers for several squadron functions, leads many B-2 tours, and has won various awards within her squadron including Armament Technician of the Year for



Senior Airman Elise Gotschall, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, operates the jammer vehicle used for loading munitions into the B-2 bomb bav.

#### **Community support** improves quality of life for base family

(Editor's note: Capt. Steve Smart is a member of the 509th Bomb Wing Legal Office. He wanted to publicly thank people for the support he and his family have received from the base community ñ making Whiteman a better place to live and work.)

Dear Whiteman Family,

We want to take this opportunity to thank several people of Team Whiteman.

Our daughter, Lauren, has cerebral palsy and other serious medical problems requiring her to use a wheelchair and other medical equipment. This equipment is very difficult to move in and out of our base house.

To assist us, Maureen Gunter at the housing office put in a work order with 509th Civil Engineer Squadron to make our home handicap accessible. In a matter of weeks, a CE construction crew (Jim Ivie, Randy Durham, Tech. Sgt. Roy Grella, and Airmen 1st Class Chad Kaloides and Saul Arvizu) designed and built a very nice wheelchair ramp.

The ramp meets all of our functional needs, but these guys

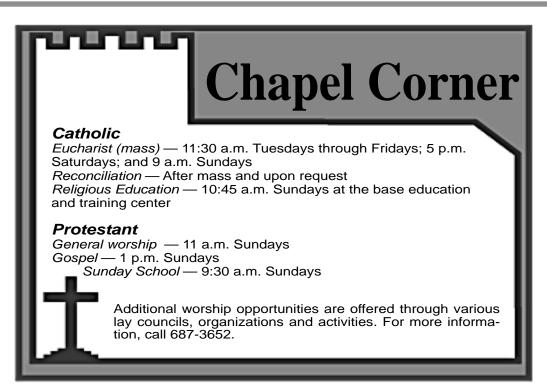
went the extra mile to give it the look and feel of a deck rather than a disabled access way.

Throughout the process, the crew was professional, friendly and seemed to take a personal interest in the ramp and Lauren. We really appreciate them.

While we're thanking people, we certainly can't forget Nina Dickey and the staff at the TriCare/TriWest office for assisting us with all the medical bills we receive. Their hard work and dedication allow us to focus on enjoying Lauren rather than worrying about financial obligations. We'd also like to thank Maj. (Dr.) JoAnn Couch, Tiffany Weaver and the 509th Medical Group staff, because they truly take care of us.

Thanks all!

Capt. Steve, Randi and Lauren Smart



#### Menus

#### **Knob Noster Elementary School**

Monday: Bean burrito, peas and carrots, fruit

and yogurt Hot dog, baked beans, jell-o and Tuesday:

peaches

Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, broccoli,

apple and a roll

Thursday: Fish stick, macaroni and cheese,

pears and cake

Friday: Beef taco, pinto beans, pineapple and a graham cracker

#### Thursday:

Friday:

Wednesday:

Monday:

**Tuesday:** 

Pizza, salad, corn and fruit cobbler

Spaghetti and meat balls, baked

Hot ham and cheese, french fries,

Lasagna, salad, mixed vegetables

potatoes, green beans, fruit and a

**Whiteman Elementary School** 

and peanut butter balls

salad and cake

Taco salad, corn, fruit and a cookie

# This space is reserved for advertisements

#### **For Your Information**

### Community

#### Women's Health Fair set

A Women's Health Fair takes place 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at the Warrensburg Community Center on Gay Street. The free event includes hourly educational seminars, health screenings, food demonstrations, more than 40 informational booths and vendors, and a fashion show. Free child care is also available.

#### Wheelmobile spins onto base

All valid DOD ID card holders will receive a chance to audition for "Wheel of Fortune." The Wheelmobile comes here Oct. 18. People can attend a show anytime between 2-6 p.m. that day at the Missouri Army National Guard Armory, 1 Attack Ave. Applications will be distributed beginning at 1 p.m.

In April 2005, Pat Sajak and Vanna White will tape 15 episodes in Kansas City, Mo., which begin airing in May. Watch for more details in the base newspaper and on the Commander's Access Channel, Ch. 99 on base only.

#### VFW offers scholarship

The Veterans' Tribute Scholarship is available to 16- to 18-year-old children and grandchildren of military veterans, active duty, reserve and national guard member. The deadline is Dec. 31.

First place is \$10,000, second place is \$5,000 and third place receives \$3,000. Awards are given to entrants based on points from their personal academic achievement, family Veterans of Foreign War involvement and their parents' or grandparents' military service.

Applications are available at http://www.vfw.org/pdf/vettribscholarentry.pdf. Scoring sheets are available at http://www.org/pdf/vettribscholarscoring-sheet.pdf. Applicants must complete the form, attach documents verifying the facts on the entry form and send the packet to Veteran's National Scholarship, VFW National Headquarters, 406 W. 34th St. Suite 902, Kansas City, MO., 64111.

#### Sign up for Cub Scouts

Sign ups are now available for boys in first through fifth grade who are interested in getting involved in Cub Scouts. For more details, contact Sarah Roy at 563-9715.

#### Sign up for Boy Scouts

Sign ups are now available for boys in sixth through twelvth grade who are interested in getting involved in Boy Scouts. For more details, contact Sarah Roy at 563-9715.

#### AFSA monthly meeting

The Air Force Sergeant's Association monthly meeting begins 4 p.m. Tuesday, at Mission's End. For more details, call Tech Sgt. Jerry Waller at 687-1739.

#### **Numismatic Club Meeting**

The numismatic (coin) club meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at the community

activity center, room A. All numismatics and newcomers to coin collecting can attend. For more details, call Staff Sgt. David Hill at 687-7490 or Tech. Sgt. Michael Sewell at 687-1547.

#### Fund-raiser fun run/walk

The Warrensburg Veteran's home hosts its second annual Run for Freedom 5K run/poker walk fund-raiser. The event is scheduled to take place 9-11 a.m., Oct. 16 at the Warrensburg Veterans home. All Whiteman personnel are welcome. Funds will be used for a new bus for veterans home. Registration fees for the run are \$15 before Oct. 8, or \$20 dollars at the door. For the poker walk it is \$10 before Oct. 8 or \$15 at the door. For more details call Staff Sgt. Richard Clark at 687-3915, or Vonda Addleman at 660-543-5064.

### **Family Support**

Call 687-7132 for more details on these events or other family support center activities. Events take place at the FSC.

#### **Pre-separation briefing set**

A pre-separation briefing for people separating from the military begins at 9 a.m. Monday. Representatives from the military personnel flight, family support center, Air Force Reserve and finance will provide information. The MPF separations and retirements office schedules members for this briefing. For more details, call 687-1500 or 687-6720.

#### Workshop to write resumes

A hands-on workshop that helps people through the resume writing process begins at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday. Reservations are required.

#### Tap program scheduled

A three-day transition assistance program for people separating or retiring form the military begins at 8 a.m. Tuesday. Attendees will learn basic resume writing skills, interviewing skills, salary negotiation, and receive information on education and Veterans Administration benefits. Reservations are required.

#### WIC representative visits base

A Women's, Infant's and Children representative is available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. WIC includes nutrition education, health promotion and a supplemental food program to help women, infants and children who have nutritional needs. For more details, call the WIC office in Warrensburg at 747-2012.

#### Pre-deployment briefing set

A mandatory pre-deployment briefing for people who are deploying or going on a temporary duty assignment for more than 30 days begins at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Spouses are encouraged to attend. is briefing covers information about preparing for deployment and programs available to family members who are left behind

#### Help keep 'em flying

Report illegal drug activity to Detachment 207, Air Force Office of Special Investigations, by calling 687-1852 or the 509th Security Forces Squadron Law Enforcement desk at 687-3700 after duty hours.

You can never B-2 safe!





#### Intramural Flag Football (As of Wednesday)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	Los
Delta	4	1
MXS	3	1
OSS	2	0
CES	2	0
AMXS A	2	1
CS	2	1
LRS	$\overline{2}$	2
AMXS B	1	1
MUNS	1	1
MED	1	1
Tigers	1	2
CPTS	0	3
442	0	3
BW/MSS	0	4
Alpha	0	0
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Photo by Airman Jason Burton

#### **Shutout**

Matt Jones, 509th Medical Group, tries to avoid the tackle from two 509th Maintenance Squadron players. MXS crushed MED 20-0 during intramural play Tuesday. Steven Lasseson, MXS wide receiver, was the star of the game with two interceptions and three touchdowns. In other games, MXS 20-0 shut out the 509th Munition Squadron; Delta won 21-1 over the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron B; and the 509th Operations Support Squadron squeezed by AMXS

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	5 p.m. 6 p.m. 7 p.m. 8 p.m.	LRS vs. MXS AMXS B vs. MUNS Tigers vs. BW/MSS Alpha vs. MED
	5 p.m. 6 p.m. 7 p.m. 8 p.m.	AMXS A vs. LRS Delta vs. MED MXS vs. CS 442 vs. OSS
FLAG FOOT- BALL	5 p.m. 6 p.m. 7 p.m.	Tuesday CES vs. AMXS B Tigers vs. CS AMXS A vs. MED
		Wednesday
	5 p.m. 6 p.m. 7 p.m. 8 p.m.	CPTS vs. MXS MED vs. MUNS Alpha vs. AMXS B CPTS vs. OSS
		Oct. 7
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WHITEMAN SPIRIT STUNIS



Photo by Master Sgt. Jeff Folsom

Michael Tucker, 509th Communications Squadron, tees off on the 10th hole.

## CS swings past MUNS in championship game

**By Master Sgt. Jeff Folsom** 72nd Test and Evaluation Squadron

The base championship for the 2004 Intramural Golf season was decided when the 509th Communications Squadron beat the 509th Munitions Squadron team Tuesday

These teams met during the playoffs and went to sudden death before CS came out on top. After MUNS breezed through the losers bracket, they again faced the undefeated CS team. In the double elimination round, MUNS won first match; however, a second match proved CS victo-

rious with a 7-5 win.

Johnny Benson, 509th CS first sergeant, congratulated the MUNS team on an outstanding match. "I was impressed by their ability to make some great shots when it counted," he said.

The early part of the season was hampered by weather with weekly downpours and thunderstorms creating a challenging schedule.

Phil Denham, manager and resident pro at the Royal Oaks Golf Course, expressed his appreciation to all of the teams for their support and determination in seeing the league through to the finish.

#### The Whiteman Spirit wants to feature you.

Do you, or does someone you know, have a sport story idea you'd like to see in the paper?

Let our staff know about it.

For more information, call 687-6133 or e-mail whiteman.spirit@whiteman.af.mil.



Courtesy photo

#### Season opener

Mark Farrar, 509th Maintenance Squadron, rallies his soccer team before their season opener game Saturday. His 12-player team, Whiteman Flames, went on to win 12-8 against the Warrensburg Blue. Farrar is certified by the National Alliance for Youth Sports to coach. He has volunteered for Whiteman's Youth Soccer League for three years. Youth soccer games take place 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays until Nov. 6 at the youth fields across from Skelton Park and behind Oscar-01. However, games are not scheduled for Oct. 9.



Photos by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

#### Perfect score

Above: April Sanders, 509th Medical Operations Squadron, warms up before a run. The technical sergeant scored a 100 on her fitness test Sept. 17. She completed 40 push ups and 46 sit-ups in one minute, and finished the 1.5 mile run in 11 minutes and 38 seconds. She is the NCO in charge of dental readiness. Right: Flordeliza Goleta, 509th MDOS, uses the treadmill. The captain also scored a 100 on her fitness test recently. She completed 40 push ups and 50 sit-ups in one minute, and finished the 1.5 mile run in 14:21. She is a pediatric nurse practitioner.





#### Bowling Standings &



Tuesday Night Mens League (Week 3 of 34)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
Team 8	18	6
Warrensburg Chrysler	16	8
T.N.L.	16	8
Team 10	15	9
Dilligas	13	11
Elliot Electric	12	12
Gutter Dusters	10	12
Team 4	10	14
Bastages/R	4	20

#### Wednesday Intramural League (Week 3 of 34)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<b>Lost</b>
AMXS	26	6
SFS	24	8
CES A	20	12
SVS	20	12
MUNS	18	14
MXS B	18	14
MSS/BW	18	14
MDG A	18	14
CPTS	16	16
MXS A	16	16
OSS	14	18
CES B	14	18
COMM	12	20
MDG B	8	24
CES C (Fire Dept)	8	24
MOS	6	26

### **SERVICES**



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#### **SPORTS & RECREATION**

#### **Outdoor Recreation** 687-5565

#### **Hunter safety class**

Use good judgement and learn safe hunting skills in Missouri 6-10 p.m. Oct. 8 and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 9. Call outdoor recreation for more details and sign up by Monday for this free course.



**Crappie tournament** 

The third annual fall crappie tournament takes place 7:15 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 16 at Long Shoals Marina in Warsaw, Mo. The \$25 fee includes a boat for a two-person team. Prizes will be awarded to the biggest fish and to first, second and third places. Call outdoor recreation for more details and to sign up by Oct. 11. Sponsored in part by Speedway Chevrolet.\*

#### Fitness Center 687-5496

#### Get fit on Route 66

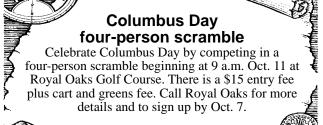
Participate in the quarterly incentive program to get fit on Route 66 today-Dec. 31. Each participant will travel the distance from Chicago to Santa Monica, Calif., using designated cardio equipment: cross trainer, treadmill, stationary bike (up right or recumbent) or the stair climber. Call the fitness center for more information. Sponsored in part by Life Fitness.\*

#### Stars & Strikes 687-5114

#### **Opposite-hand tournament**

Bowl in a tournament with the opposite hand that you normally use beginning at 5 p.m. Oct. 16 at Stars & Strikes. This \$10 special includes; 3 games of bowling and shoe rental. People can win the money collected from the tournament; prizes are awarded to first-, second- and third place winners. Call Stars & Strikes for more details.

#### Royal Oaks 687-5572



#### FOOD & FUN

#### Mission's End 687-4422

Mission's End is closed Oct. 11 for Cloumbus Day.

#### Karaoke

Enjoy karaoke 8 p.m.-midnight today and Oct. 15 in the Lavene Lounge at Mission's End.

#### TRAVEL & LEISURE

#### **Tickets & Travel** 687-5643

#### **Crescent Hotel & Spa vacation**

Enter a drawing and win two nights at the Crescent Hotel in Eureka Springs, Ark. Sign up by Oct. 31 at Tickets & Travel, the drawing takes place Nov. 1. Call Tickets & Travel for more information.

#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

### <u>Family Child Care</u> 687-5590/1180

#### Extended duty care open house

The extended duty child care and returning home care programs are for Air Force parents needing care beyond their typical 50-hour requirement or when returning home from deployment. This service is free for the parents. People who need these programs are invited to visit the contracted provider and two substitutes at their homes 5-7 p.m. Thursday on base:

Jackie Parmenter, 704 Scott Drive Jill Hunter, 919 Skybolt Circle Alicia Timmons, 123 Titan Loop Call family child care for rules, restrictions and other information about these programs.

#### Youth Center 687-5586

#### **Basketball registration**

Kindergartners through seventh graders can register for basketball 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. now through Oct. 15 at the youth center. There is a \$30 fee for members and \$38 fee for nonmembers. Children must be 5 or older to be eligible to register. Call the youth center for more details.

#### Start smart soccer

Parents and their 3- to 5-year-olds can enjoy eight, onehour sessions to teach their children soccer basics 1-2 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the youth center. This program is \$20 per parent/child team. Call the youth center for more details.

#### **Outerspace night**

Kindergartners through fourth graders are invited to make crafts, watch a movie and enjoy other activities 6:30-9:30 p.m. Oct. 8. There is a \$5 fee for members and \$6.50 fee for nonmembers. Call the youth center for more details.

#### **Child Development Center** 687-5588

#### Openings for full-time care

The child development center has care available for children 3 to 5 years old in need of full-time care. The CDC is accredited through the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs.

#### **Drop-in care**

The child development center has drop-in care 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. on a space-available basis. Call for more details.

#### **Library** 687-5614

#### **Story writing contest**

On Young Readers Day, first through fourth graders can participate in a story writing contest and learn how to make a story into a book beginning at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 9 at the base library. Call the base library or visit their website at http://www.WhitemanAFBlibrary.org. for contest rules.

#### Veterinary Clinic 687-2667

Safety tips for your pets
Halloween can be a hairy experience for pets. These safety tips can protect them during the month of goblins and ghosts: candy is not for pets; chocolate is poisonous to a lot of animals. Tin foil and cellophane wrappers can be hazardous if swallowed. Keep posted for more tips in the Oct. 8 issue of the Whiteman Spirit. Call or visit the veterinary clinic for more information.

#### **Community Center** 687-5617

#### Hop n' shop

Airmen who don't have vehicles can benefit from the short hops to Sedalia or Warrensburg to shop the minimalls and Wal-Mart\* 12:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday and Oct. 18. There is a \$3 fee and is limited to 10 passengers. Call the community center for more details and to sign up.

#### Reptile scout badgework

Scouts are invited to work on requirements for the reptile badge 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the community center. This program includes a live snake presentation. Call the community center for more details and to sign up.

#### Teen Center 687-5819

#### **Hobby time**

Enjoy many activities and games at the teen center Tuesdays-Saturdays in October. Call the teen center for more details about this free event.

#### **Power hour**

Teens can do homework, research and use the computer lab 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays at the teen center. Enter a drawing for a free boom box. Call the teen center for more details.

#### Worlds of Fun

Teens can travel to Worlds of Fun 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. The \$25 fee includes admission and transportation. Call the teen center for more details.

#### Skills Development Center 687-5691

#### Framing class

Take a beginners framing class 9 a.m.-noon Wednesday at the skills development center. The \$40 fee includes supplies. Call the skills development center for more details or stop by and sign up.



#### Halloween mask making class

Adults and children are invited to make a halloween paper mache mask 9-11 a.m. Oct. 9 and Oct. 23 at the skills development center. The \$20 fee includes supplies. Call the skills development center for more details or stop by to sign up.

#### Whiteman Base Theater

**Today** Without a Paddle

Starring — Seth Green & Matthew Lillard **Saturday** 

Alien vs. Predator Starring — Sanaa Lathan & Lance Henriksen

<u>Sunday</u> Open Water 5:30 p.m. Starring — Blanchard Ryan & Daniel Travis

> Adults \$3 Youth \$1.50 Movie recording line 687-5110. Adults \$3 Movies are subject to change due to availability. For current and future movie listings log on to http://www.aafes.com/ems/conus/whiteman.htm.

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